

RUSHVILLE CITY UNSAFE HEARING BOARD
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2007
5:00 P.M.

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., with Gary Cameron and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Chris Fields arrived at 5:30. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse and Elizabeth Gist, *Rushville Republican*.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * * *

None.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

Bridges said he has had several complaints about the property at State Road 3 and 52. Harmon said there was no special exception as to zoning. At the time it was permitted use. Pavey said as far as zoning it should be looked at as a corridor zone. Harmon said he would check out that avenue. Harmon has been trying to contact the owner to get something done. The owner lives in Louisville.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

721/725 N Morgan – Harmon said he received an e-mail today from Morgan. Morgan stated that he has someone contracted to do the roof as soon as his schedule allows. The contractor's trash remains on the property. Pavey made a motion to contact Morgan and request a copy of the contract for the roof from Class Act with a date for construction to begin and if the contract is not received within 10 days to file suit. Cameron said he would like to revise the motion. Pavey rescinded his motion.

Cameron then made the following motion, to contact Morgan and request to receive a copy of the contract this week for the work on the roof. He added that the work must be completed within 30 days. If these requirements are not met then the City will proceed with a law suit. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

321 W 7th Street – A special prosecutor was assigned to this case and his work has been completed. The report will be presented to the owner's attorney.

351 N Arthur – Harmon continues to try to contact the owner. Pavey made a motion to have Newhouse send a letter to the owner's attorney. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

602 E 11th Street – Harmon said he had tagged 14 vehicles and about ½ of them have been towed away. Harmon said he has been informed by the owner's attorney that he no longer represents the owner. Pavey made a motion to have a title search done on the property. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

137 W 2nd Street/Durbin Apartments – Harmon ordered the owner to have an inspection done by an engineer. Received a call that it was okay, but no official report was received. Harmon has contacted Butler Fairman to do an inspection and the bill will be sent to the owner.

Fields arrived at the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

402 N Main – The problem originally started when a toilet was leaking and leaked through the ceiling to the downstairs apartment. The leak has been fixed and the hole in the ceiling has been temporarily fixed. They are waiting until everything completely dries out and will then fix it permanently.

424 N Harrison – Harmon is trying to contact the owner regarding weeds and the front porch. Upon further investigation Harmon found that there is a great amount of mold in the house and has found that it is not safe. Harmon has condemned the property and told the tenants to stay out of the property because it is not safe.

May Report – Harmon reported the following:

- There have been 53 new cases opened and 41 cases closed.
- Some of the articles have been run in the paper regarding the ordinances
- Renewed activity in the utility inspections
- Rehab homes – 3 out of 8 homes have been awarded contracts

There was no further business to come before the Board, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Cameron seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

GARY M. CAMERON, MEMBER

CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER